

SCALABLE DISTRIBUTED NETWORK SYSTEM FOR COLLABORATIVE  
COMPUTING

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10 A distributed collaborative computer system is  
provided that comprises a plurality of server computers  
interconnected via a high-speed link. Client computers  
can connect to any available server computer and start  
or join a conference hosted on either the server  
computer to which the client computer is connected or  
any other server in the system. As a result, the  
15 system and method of the present invention is easily  
scalable to support an arbitrary number of participants  
to a conference by merely adding the appropriate number  
of server computers to the system.